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CONSTITUTION OF ISTEHKAM-E-PAKISTAN PARTY

(I) Name

The name of the political party is “Istehkam-e-Pakistan Party”, which is also referred to in this Constitution as “IPP” or “the Party”.

(II) Objectives

The objectives of the Party are:

1. To make Pakistan an egalitarian, modern, progressive and democratic welfare state that upholds the fundamental rights of the people and faithfully implements the Principles of Policy, both as enshrined in the Constitution of Pakistan.
2. To devise, formulate and implement policies to promote economic development, social and economic well-being and prosperity of the citizens of Pakistan
3. To contain inflation and stabilize prices of essential commodities and services on a sustained and long-term basis.
3. To promote tolerance and eliminate all kinds of prejudices throughout the country whether provincial, ethnic, religious, sectarian, linguistic, tribal or otherwise.
4. To introduce agrarian reforms to ensure higher agricultural productivity and protection of the rights of farm workers and tenants.
5. To tax all sources of income;
6. To provide equal opportunities in education, achieve complete literacy, to promote a knowledge economy based on quality higher education, research, development and technical education;
7. To ensure access to quality healthcare facilities for all citizens of Pakistan;
8. To promote and protect investments by overseas Pakistanis and other investors, securing a safe investment environment, transparency and durability in economic policies;



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9. To recognize, promote and implement policies that protect and enforce the rights of women as equal citizens and encourage the participation of women in all spheres of national and political life.
10. To protect the rights and interests of the minorities and to respect their aspirations and enable representation at all levels commensurate to their actual populations.
11. To pursue an independent foreign policy promoting national interest.
12. To strengthen national security and defence against all forms of external and internal threats and promote loyalty to the State and obedience to the Constitution of Pakistan and its laws.

(III) Membership

The membership of the Party shall be open to all citizens of Pakistan, not in the service of Pakistan, who are at least 18 years of age and subscribe to this Constitution and objectives of the Party. The Party may employ information technology and other modern means or platforms of communication to facilitate and enable membership of the Party and to conduct its Intra-Party Elections. The Party shall maintain an accurate and updated electronic register of all its members under the overall control and supervision of the Secretary General of the Party. In the event of any doubt or dispute about membership in the Party of any person, the decision of the President shall be final and binding. The President shall have full authority to suspend the membership of any member or expel any member from the Party or remove or suspend or withdraw and authority granted or power delegated to any member or office bearer of the Party. The Party may charge such membership and other fees as may be determined and notified, from time to time, by the CEC. Any person who joins the Party shall be deemed to have agreed to unconditionally accept all of the provisions of this Constitution and any disciplinary code and disciplinary procedure as they may respectively be amended from time to time and shall remain bound by the same for the entire period of his membership in the Party.



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(IV) Party Organizations

The Party may, as decided by its Central Executive Committee ("CEC") from time to time, having regard to the size and membership of the Party, establish organizations and sub-organizations including, without limitation Provincial Executive Committee and other Sub-Committees, in each Province and in Islamabad consistent with the aims and objectives of the Party.

(V)(i) Principal Office Bearers of the Party

(i). The following shall be the principal office bearers of the Party, who shall be directly elected by members of the Party in an election conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Schedule to this Constitution: (a) Chairman; (b) President; (c) Secretary-General; (d) Additional Secretary General; (e) Finance Secretary (f) Central Information Secretary (g) 4 Regional Presidents in the Punjab, one for each respective region of the Punjab; (h) 1 Provincial President for each of Sindh, KPK ad Balochistan; and (I) 1 Regional President for Islamabad.

Provided, that, notwithstanding anything contained in this Constitution, the first principal offers of the Party who shall be the following individuals, who, unless they resign or otherwise become incapacitated from holding such office for any reason, shall continue to hold the office until conduct of the first Intra-Party elections of the Party:

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| (a) Chairman: | |
| (b) President: | Mr. Abdul Aleem Khan |
| (c) Secretary-General: | Mr. Aamir Mahmood Kiani |
| (d) Additional Secretary General: | Mr. Muhammad Awn Saqlain |
| (e) Finance Secretary | Mian Khalid Mehmood |
| (e) Central Information Secretary | Firdous Ashiq |
| (c) 4 Regional Presidents in the Punjab: | |
| (e) Provincial President (Sindh): | |
| (f) Provincial President (KPK): | |
| (g) Provincial President (Balochistan); | |
| (h)Regional President (Islamabad): | |



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(ii). Any vacancy arising in respect of any of the abovementioned offices after the election in an Intra-Party Elections for any reason whatsoever shall be filled by the President by nomination from among the members of the Party in his discretion for the remaining term of the office in which the vacancy arose.

(iii). In case of Absence or unavailability of the President, his powers and functions shall be vested to the Secretary General of the Party.

(iv). The President may, in his discretion, assign additional portfolios or responsibilities to the principal officers of the Party and may also appoint spokespersons of the Party. He may also appoint deputies to the abovementioned principal offices and assign them responsibilities.

(v) There may also be established Party organizations for Gilgit-Baltistan, Azad Jammu & Kashmir and Federally Administered Tribal Areas, as may be determined by the CEC, from time to time, having regard to the objectives and aims of the Party and the membership of the Party in such regions.

V(ii). Central Council

(i). The Central Council ("CC") shall be the general body of the Party at the national level. The CC shall comprise of: (a) the Chairman, President, Secretary-General, Additional Secretary General, Finance Secretary, Central Information Secretary, 4 Regional Presidents (Punjab), Provincial Presidents for Sindh, KPK and Balochistan and Regional President for Islamabad; (b) office bearers of the Provincial, Regional, District and Union Organizations of each Province and of Islamabad, where established, as are nominated by the President in consultation with the Chairman and the concerned Provincial or Regional Presidents not exceeding such number in total as may be determined by the CC from time to time; (c) technocrats and professionals of repute in the country to be nominated by the President who shall not exceed one-fourth of the total number of the members belonging to classes (a) and (b) above; and (d) such other persons, including members of the Party, as the CC may determine in a vote by two-thirds of its then majority.

(ii). The Party shall, at least once in a year, convene a general meeting of the CC, and shall invite the members of the Party or their delegates to participate in such general meeting.



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(iii). Meetings of the CC may be held and convened, from time to time, as directed by the Chairman or decided by the CEC.

V(iii). Central Executive Committee

(i) The Central Executive Committee of the Party ("CEC") shall be the central and supreme executive organization of the Party at the national level. The CEC shall comprise of: the Chairman, President, Secretary-General, Additional Secretary General, Finance Secretary, Central Information Secretary, 4 Regional Presidents (Punjab), Provincial Presidents for Sindh, KPK and Balochistan and Regional President for Islamabad (b) office bearers of the Provincial, Regional, District and Union Organizations of each Province and of Islamabad, where established, as are nominated by the President in consultation with the Chairman and concerned Provincial or Regional Presidents not exceeding such number in total as may be determined by the CEC from time to time; (c) such technocrats and professionals as may be nominated by the President from time to time.

(ii) The CEC being the supreme executive body of the Party shall review the progress of the Party from time to time, and formulate programs and policies suitable to the needs and demands of the time and ensure, promote and pursue the objectives of the Party. The CEC shall meet, physically or through audio-video conferencing or other platform, at the discretion of the President and at least once in each calendar month. Provided that one-fifth of the total membership of the CEC may requisition a meeting of the CEC and, on receipt of such requisition, the President shall convene the meeting of the CEC within seven days. Decisions of the CEC shall be made by a simple majority of members present and voting at a scheduled meeting, provided that, in the event of a tie the President shall always have a second or casting vote.

(iii) The President shall have full authority to suspend the membership of any member or expel any member from the CEC or remove or suspend or withdraw and authority granted or power delegated to any member of the CEC. The may also constitute and dissolve sub-committees of the CEC as may be required from time to time which such membership out of the CEC members as he may determine.



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(iii) The powers and functions of the CEC are:

- (a) To consider all matters arising, from time to time, relating to the aims, objectives and performance of the organization(s) of the Party which have been formed and take appropriate decisions;
- (b) To supervise the activities of the respective organization(s) of the Party for carrying out such duties as may be entrusted to them by the CEC;
- (c) To approve the annual budgets and to appoint auditors;
- (d) To assist the President in carrying out the day-to-day functions of the Party;
- (e) To lay down the Party policy and guide the Party at the national level;
- (f) To act as the executive authority of the Party at the national level;
- (g) To take all necessary steps to give effect to the decisions of the CEC or of the President;
- (h) To control, direct, hold accountable and regulate all activities of the Provincial, Regional, District and Union Council organizations and their respective executive and other committees, as and when established;
- (i) To control, direct and regulate all activities of the organizations of the Party for Islamabad, Federally Administered Tribal Areas, Gilgit-Baltistan and Overseas Pakistanis; and
- (j) In case the CEC is of the opinion that a Provincial Executive Committee, where established, is not carrying out the aims and objectives of the Party, it may suspend the Provincial Executive Committee and issue appropriate directions in this regard. In the meantime, the CEC shall assume unto itself the powers and functions of such Provincial Executive Committee and in this regard may delegate its and functions to its nominees.
- (k) In the event of occurrence of vacancy of an office bearer of the CEC due to death, permanent incapacitation, removal or resignation, the President shall fill such vacancy by nomination for the remaining term of office.



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(V)(iv) Composition and Functions of Provincial, District and Union Council Organizations

The office bearers of each Provincial Organization, District Organization or Union Council organization(s) of the Party shall, if and where formed, be appointed, subject to prior approval of the President, by the concerned Provincial or Regional President. The powers and functions of each Provincial Organization, District Organization or Union Council Organization of the Party shall, if and where formed, be as determined by the CEC.

(VI) Term of Party organizations and office bearers of the Party

The term of office for all the Party organizations and office bearers thereof provided for in this Constitution at all levels shall be five years. Provided that, subject to applicable law, the President, after consultation with the CEC, may extend the term of office of any particular organization by a period not exceeding one year.

(VII) Selection of Party candidates for elective offices

The CEC or a sub-committee thereof comprising of members nominated by the President and also chaired by him shall make the selection of candidates for all elective offices, including, without limitation, membership of the *Majlis-e-Shoora* (Parliament), Provincial Assemblies, the Senate, Local Government or other elective office, through a transparent and democratic procedure and while making the selection of candidates on general seats shall ensure at least five per cent representation of women candidate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the President may supersede the choice and decision of the CEC or committee as regard to any proposed candidate in his discretion and his choice and decision in this regard shall be final.

(VIII)(i) Powers of the President of the Party

(i) The President shall be directly elected by the members of the Party in an election conducted in accordance with the procedure set out in the Schedule to this Constitution.



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- (ii) Being directly elected by the nationwide membership of the Party, the President shall represent the democratic will of the entire Party across the country and at all levels and shall, therefore, be the Head (Chief Executive) and the chief spokesman of the Party and shall consequently be vested with and exercise all powers inherent in his office or necessary, appropriate or expedient for the purposes of carrying out the aims and objectives of the Party. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the President shall exercise all powers conferred on or vested in him by or under this Constitution including, without limitation, the power to appoint office bearers as provided for in this Constitution whether in his discretion or otherwise. The President, in exercise of his powers and functions, shall ensure that the Party organizations at all levels work in accordance with the aims and objectives of the Party.
- (iii) The President may delegate any of his powers to the Secretary-General or any member of the CEC or member of the Party.
- (iv) The President may suspend any office bearer at the National Provincial, Regional, District, Union Council levels pending disciplinary action against him.
- (iv) In the event of removal or suspension of an office bearer, he may assign or delegate power and duties of such office bearer to any office bearer or member of the Party.
- (v) He shall have all other powers which have not been specifically stated in this Constitution, including, the power of interpretation of this Constitution for successful functioning of all Party organization;
- (vi) The President may appoint Special Assistants, Consultants, Spokespersons, Advisers at the national, provincial, regional level in addition to the office bearers who have been elected, if he is satisfied that such an appointment is necessary, expedient or otherwise in the Party interest; and
- (vii) The President shall be the appellate authority against any order passed by any Provincial or Regional President.



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(VIII)(ii). Powers and Functions of the Secretary-General

- (i) The Secretary-General shall, after the Chairman and President and subject to their superintendence, be responsible for looking after the organizational work of the Party, take all suitable measures and actions which are necessary to promote the Party and promote and implement its aims and objectives;
- (ii) The Secretary-General may advise the Chairman and President on any national or political issue or matters relating to Party organization;
- (iii) The Secretary-General shall have the power to induct, subject to prior the approval of the President, salaried persons for the central office of the Party and shall supervise and guide them;
- (iv) The Secretary-General shall issue, from time to time, directives to members and organizations of the Party in accordance with the directions of the President and the policies and programs as formulated by the CEC;
- (v) In the event of death, permanent incapacitation or resignation of the Chairman, on the advice of the President, Secretary General shall convene a meeting of the CEC and the Party to elect a new Chairman;
- (vi) He shall record and maintain the minutes of all meetings of the CC and the CEC; and
- (vii) He may refer the case of any member or office bearer of the Party for initiation of disciplinary action against him to the concerned authority, including Provincial or Regional President.

(VIII)(iv). Powers and Functions of other office bearers of the Party

Other office bearers of the Party shall exercise such powers and perform such functions that are assigned to them by the President or the CEC.



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(VIII)(v). Powers and functions of the Provincial and Regional Presidents

- (i) A Provincial President in the case of Sindh, Balochistan and KPK shall be the head and chief spokesman of the Party in the Province and, in the case of Islamabad the Punjab, such authority shall vest in each respective Regional President to the extent of the region under the jurisdiction of each of the Regional President. The Provincial Presidents in the case of Sindh, Balochistan and KPK and the Regional Presidents in the case of Islamabad and of the Punjab shall, subject to the superintendence and veto of the President, exercise all powers inherent in their respective offices and each shall ensure that their Party organization at all levels within the Province or their regional jurisdiction, as applicable, works in accordance with the aims and objectives of the Party and directions of the President;
- (ii) Each Provincial and Regional President shall have the power to delegate any of his authority to the General-Secretary or any member of the Provincial Executive Committee as applicable and to suspend an office bearer up to the level of a relevant District Organization pending disciplinary action against him and to delegate the powers and functions of the suspended office bearer to any other member of the Party within the Province or Region as applicable; and
- (iii) Each Provincial and Regional President shall ensure that all directives of the President and of the CEC issued, from time to time are fully complied with within the Province or Region, as applicable.
- (iv) Subject always to directions of the President or of the CEC collectively, the Provincial President in the case of Sindh, Balochistan and KPK and, in the case of Islamabad and the Punjab, the Regional President of Islamabad and Regional Presidents of the Punjab acting collectively, shall have power to constitute and appoint members of its the Provincial Executive Committee and its sub-committees and organizations.



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(VIII)(vi) Powers and Functions of other office bearers

Other office bearers shall exercise such powers and perform such functions that are assigned to them by the CC, CEC or the President.

(IX) Responsibilities of Party Organizations

All organizations of the Party shall, within their respective jurisdictions, act in advancement of the aims and objectives of the Part subject to overall superintendence of the CEC and the President

(X) Funds, Funding and Accounts

To maintain the independence of the Party and to finance the implementation of its aims, objectives and programs, the CEC, the Provincial Executive Committees and Regional and other organizations as and when established, shall authorize fund-raising activities to meet the financial requirements and targets. All fund-raising and campaign financing activities shall comply with requirements of applicable law with regard to political parties, including, sections 210 and 211 of the Election Act, 2017 or any amendment or successor thereof. Proper accounts of all funds shall be maintained, which shall be audited by external and independent chartered accountants as per rules framed, from time to time, by the CEC or any sub-committee thereof.

(XI) Settlement of Differences and Disputes at meetings of any Party organization

All matters, differences and disputes at meetings of any organization of the Party shall be decided by a majority of votes of the membership of such organization. Provided that, in the event of a tie or a continuing dispute, the decision of the President or any of delegate of his shall be final.



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(XII). Party Disciplinary Code and Disciplinary Procedure

Notwithstanding anything in this Constitution, the CEC, with the approval of the President , may frame and promulgate a disciplinary code and disciplinary procedure ("Code") for the regulation and conduct of any and all matters relating to party discipline and misconduct by members or office bearers of the Party and any and all related, ancillary or incidental matters. The Code shall be applicable to and bind all members and office bearers of the Party within or outside Pakistan and all Parliamentarians of IPP in the National or Provincial Assembly or Senate or other elected or legislative body. Compliance with the Code shall be an integral part of the fundamental terms and conditions of membership of the Party. The CEC with the approval of the President may, from time to time, amend, vary or supplement any of the provisions of the Code. The final authority for interpreting any provision of the Code shall be the President.

(XIV). Date of commencement of this Constitution

This Constitution of the Istekham-e-Pakistan Party was unanimously approved, adopted and promulgated by the CEC during its meeting held on July 4, 2023 and, therefore, represents the democratic will and intent of the members of the Party. It is signed below by its founder members.

